

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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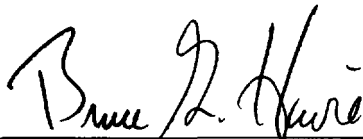
Case No. 8:03-CR-77-T-30TBM

GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT

**DEFENDANT GHASSAN BALLUT'S NOTICE
OF AGREEMENT FOR TRANSLATION SERVICES**

The Defendant, GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT, by and through his undersigned counsel, hereby provides notice to the Court and the parties of the written agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, with Legal Language Services, at 733 15th Street N.W., Washington, DC 20005, signed and returned by the Defendant's undersigned counsel on May 5, 2004. Legal Language Services has agreed to provide translation services as contemplated and directed by the Court in the Report and Recommendation of April 9, 2004 (Doc. 503), and the Order of April 16, 2004 (Doc. 508). The Defendant's undersigned counsel has made arrangements to provide selected materials to Legal Language Services to begin translations as part of trial preparation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been sent by U.S.

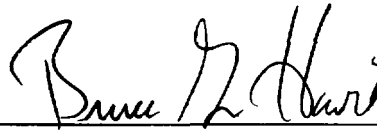
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RE: Translation Services in U.S. vs. Ghassan Ballut
Case No. 8:03-cr-77-0T-30TBM

Dear Mr. Howie:

Thank you for taking the time to discuss the Court Order for the above referenced case.

Based on our discussion, Legal Language Services (LLS) will accept the terms set by the court. To ensure our correct understanding, I have restated the particulars of this project and the terms of our agreement to provide professional tape transcription and translation services:

The Work Product:

Using the summaries provided by the US Government, you will select and prioritize intercepts and consensual conversations for transcription and translation. You will forward these intercepts and consensual conversations to LLS, along with any summaries and glossaries that are available. LLS will provide Arabic and Hebrew linguists; billed at \$329.00 for a full day (from four to eight hours) and \$178.00 for a half day (up to four hours) of work. We estimate that you should allow between 15 and 25 hours for each one hour of taped conversation. The Arabic, Hebrew and English transcripts and English translations will be delivered on a rolling basis over a specified period of time which will be determined upon preview of the actual conversations. To save time and money we may provide the transcripts in handwritten form.

Submission of Vouchers:

It is our understanding that LLS will submit the CJA Form 21 according to the instructions outlined in the Court Order. LLS will forward the CJA Form 21 and appropriate back-up material (sales orders/invoices) to the attention of Bruce Howie of Piper Ludin Howie & Werner, P.A. You will undertake to re-transmit the vouchers to the court with your approval appended and/or advise us on perfecting the vouchers to expedite payment.

Reimbursable Expenses:

LLS will process the material provided by you, mount and set-up production to transcribe specified conversations. Preparatory work and extra expense shall include, but not be limited to, CD duplication and style sheet preparation. Labor for this portion of the contract may be subcontracted to a separate company. In addition, LLS will review individual files for quality, language, and length; flagging of blank or incomplete files; and isolation of garbled or inaudible files. All files need to be duplicated, tagged and organized for transcribing. To maintain uniformity of vocabulary, any glossaries or background material you have pertaining to this case, should be supplied to us. This should explicitly include all summaries for selected conversations with correct identification of speakers and spellings for names and places. Such preparatory work is billable, as well as packaging and final certification (if any), at an agreed rate of \$35 per hour.

In accordance with the Court Order, the total cost through the projected start of the trial shall not exceed \$177,660.00 without the prior approval of the Court.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 887-8060 if you have questions about this price quote or any aspect of the work we will be performing. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

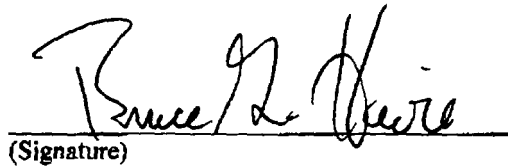
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(Signature)

Bruce G. Howie 5-5-04
(Printed Name and Date)

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